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WELCOME!

Methodist Ministers From All Parts of the State Gathered in our Town For Annual Conference.

HOMES THROWN OPEN AND A GLAD WELCOME IS EXTENDED TO ALL.

Methodist ministers from all over the State are here attending the Annual Conference that began Wednesday morning as announced in last week's Advocate, and the session will continue until next Monday night.

This is the third time that the Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church has been held in Harboursville. The first gathering here was in 1883, and the second in 1890.

Bishop Warren arrived Wednesday afternoon, and will preside during the conference.

One feature that interests the citizens here most is the future of Union College. This is the only school of its kind in the Kentucky mountains, and is entirely under the control of the Board of Education of the Kentucky Methodist Conference.

This college was established in the most part by funds given the Board of Education by Mrs. Fannie Speed, and she also paid the salary of the President of the

school until her death, which occurred in 1902.

After her death the Board of Education secured by her will, for the purpose of education, about \$260,000, and as she was instrumental in establishing and keeping Old Union College on foot during here lifetime, the Board of Education is now expected to do a good part for this college with the funds left in their hands.

"Speed Hall," the large dormitory, now almost completed, should be finished, and this would furnish accommodations for boarding students who would attend school here but for the fact that there is no place for boarding students, thus keeping the attendance at the school small.

Union College has a broad field to draw from if it only had the new dormitory completed so as to furnish the necessary accommodations, but work was stopped on this building several months ago, when the funds that were on hand became exhausted.

This session bids fair to be a very important meeting, as there are a number of important matters that will come up before the body.

The sessions are being held in the chapel of Union College. Little was done the first day but examine a few applicants for the ministry. They were: D. W. Brown, London, Ky.; A. G. Ragan, Williamsburg, Ky.; W. B. Walsh, and A. P. Smith.

Many of the prominent ministers in attendance are former students of Union College, and most of them spent their time Wednesday shaking hands with friends here, or sitting under the shade trees in the college campus discussing old times, when Dr. Stephenson was President of the college, and President J. P. Faulkner was a student like themselves.

Wednesday night Bishop H. W. Warren made an interesting address in the chapel of the college.

the Circuit Court Clerk vacates his office and permits it to be used for that purpose.

We do not believe the thinking people of Knox county desire that this state of affairs should exist when there could be a new house erected with all the modern improvements and conveniences without increasing the tax rate to amount to anything.

We hope that there will be some steps taken along that line before the opening of another summer comes, and give the people of Knox a chance to express themselves at the polls upon this question.

INTEREST

In the Commercial Club Growing and Prospects are Becoming Flattering for New Enterprises Here.

At the Club meeting last Monday night there were several new members present, and new topics were taken up and discussed, and on some of them action was taken.

The question of our town having a water works plant was discussed at length, and the need of a system was not disputed by anyone.

It was agreed and ordered that a committee be appointed to draft articles of incorporation, and also to solicit stock for the establishment of the plant in town.

A number of other improvements were discussed but action was deferred until the next meeting, which will be next Monday night, when it is hoped that other citizens will come out and join the Club and show some interest in the steps that are being

taken to develop our town.

Now, if the people of Harboursville will awaken and give attention, the opportunity is here when we can secure a system of water works, which is one of the crying needs of our town, and there are plenty men here who have plenty surplus money that they could invest in the enterprise and build it without going away from home for a dollar.

Once the plant is put in it could be operated at such a small cost as to make it a profitable investment from the beginning and be a saving to the property owners. The large property owners here cannot afford to stand back on this proposition, because of the fact it would reduce the price of insurance to such a nominal amount that the money saved in this one item would more than pay the interest on the money invested.

Think about these matters and let's act as sensible people who want to see our town prosper, and let's have a system of water works installed in Harboursville before the snow flies.

We have already heard one good man say he will subscribe \$1,000 toward the enterprise; let's have about ten more men who will be as liberal, or more men with even a less subscription, and the movement will soon be on foot.

Don't stand back and talk about it, but act, and act at once. Come out to the Club next Monday night.

Notice, Republicans!

There will be a meeting at the Court-house on Saturday, October 1st, at 1 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of organizing a local Campaign Committee. All candidates and other loyal Republicans are respectfully invited to be present and assist in the organization.

NOTABLE CAREER ENDED.



COL. DAVID G. COLSON

Ex-Congressman From This District Died at His Home in Middlesborough, Last Tuesday Evening.

Hon. David G. Colson, former Congressman from this, the 11th district, died at his home in Middlesboro last Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock of nervous collapse.

While in Congress Mr. Colson was made Colonel of the Fourth Kentucky regiment, and went at the head of the company to Anniston, Ala. During his stay there he was shot and wounded by Ethelbert Scott. After the return of the soldiers to Kentucky and the company was mustered out of the service, the old trouble was renewed at Frankfort, and Scott was shot and instantly killed by Col. Colson. In this affray there were two innocent men killed and a third man, Capt. B. B. Golden, wounded by a stray ball. Col. Colson was again wounded in this affray, but finally recovered.

He was one of the wealthy men of the Kentucky mountains, and

for years has been a power in politics, and his influence was also felt in the social and commercial world. He was a lawyer of powerful ability and will be greatly missed.

On the morning before his death he became so deranged from the nervous collapse that he left his home and harnessed his valuable \$500 harness horse to his carriage and started out on a wild, reckless drive, when he drew a large revolver and fired several shots into his horse, killing it in the harness. He was taken in charge and returned to his home, where every attention that medical science could give, but he passed away at 8 o'clock in the evening without ever gaining consciousness.

He was known far and near as being a brave, true and loyal friend, and the vacancy caused by his death will be hard indeed to fill.

FINALLY SETTLED

For Congressional Muddle of the Eleventh Congressional District Finally Settled after Weeks of Delay.

Certificate Awarded to D. C. Edwards Upon Second Count.

The District Committee, which was called together at Somerset last Thursday, after canvassing the returns of the district by the order of Judge Riddell's court, finally decided to throw out the entire vote of Bell county, and this action resulted in giving to D. C. Edwards a majority of 816 votes over Dr. W. Grodrey Hunter, and the committee issued a certificate of election to Mr. Edwards which he has filed with the Secretary of State, and unless some new developments should arise his name will be placed under the Log Cabin on the ballots.

VOTE BY COUNTIES.

The votes as tabulated by counties is as follows:

	Edwards.	Hunter.
Adair.....	618	695
Bell.....
Cassidy.....	525	672
Clay.....	758	393
Clinton.....	264	708
Cumberland.....	78	801
Harlan.....	806	397
Jackson.....	591	674
Knox.....	1,064	1,228
Laurel.....	1,920	317
Letcher.....	452	333
Leslie.....	735	197
Monroe.....	171	1,075
Owsley.....	465	232
Perry.....	500	282
Pulaski.....	1,738	2,107
Russell.....	329	521
Wayne.....	379	807
Whitley.....	1,598	1,150
Totals.....	13,215	12,399

Mr. Edwards was then called upon for a speech, and responded with a splendid effort. The committee then adjourned.

We are truly glad that this matter has been finally settled and that the public may know who the nominee of the party is.

We propose to support the nominee and vote under the Log Cabin, and we urge upon all loyal Republicans to do likewise, and we believe they will do so.

It is not so much the man we favor as the party that is represented, and now we want to see the old Eleventh district roll up a majority larger than ever before for the great Republican ticket.

While the contest was pending a number of Edwards supporters were heard to express themselves against supporting Dr. Hunter should he succeed in holding his certificate, but we failed to hear a single Hunter voter say he would not support Edwards if he should secure the nomination. Now let's all get together and give to the nominee our hearty support and elect him by the largest vote ever yet given a Republican in this district, and after election we can prepare for the future in whatever course we may choose to take, but for the present let's all support the nominee of the party.

OFFICERS

Who Will have Control of the Election at the Various Precincts in Knox County for the Next Year.

The County Election Board have appointed the following as officers of election in Knox county: PRECINCTS.

Barboursville No. 1—Judges L. G. Morris, (R.) H. W. Bowman, (D.) Sheriff, G. M. Jackson, (R.) Clerk, R. L. Pope, (D.)

Barboursville No. 2—Judges, J. F. Bretts, (R.) J. F. Hawn, (D.) Sheriff, F. R. Barner, (D.) Clerk, T. D. Tinsley, (R.)

Barboursville No. 3—Judges Grant Hampton, (R.) Wm. Tye, (D.) Sheriff, C. S. Coyt, (R.) Clerk, Douglas Faulkner, (D.)

Artemus No. 4—Judges, B. A. Rice, (R.) Wm. Walton, (D.) Sheriff, Ike Bryant, (D.) Clerk, J. C. Marsee, (R.)

West Flat Lick No. 5—Judges, H. C. Mills, (R.) Jack Amis, (D.) Sheriff, C. B. Woolum, (R.) Clerk, E. R. Coone, (D.)

East Flat Lick No. 6—Judges, Wm. Patterson, (R.) Brack Grady, (D.) Clerk, J. H. Warren, (R.) Sheriff, Daniel Bingham, Jr., (D.)

Upper Stinking No. 7—Judges Noah Smith, (R.) Lion Kinningham, (D.) Sheriff, John W. Messer, (R.) Clerk, Jeff Mills, (D.)

Road Fork No. 8—Judges, Thos. Hubbard, (R.) Ben Mills, (R.) Sheriff, James Bingham, (D.) Clerk, Nasby Messer, (R.)

Girdler No. 9—Judges, John C. Jones, (R.) J. H. Riley, (D.) Sheriff, George Hammons, (R.) Clerk, F. F. Rowlan, (D.)

Black's No. 10—Judges, James Pickard, (R.) C. F. Blanton, (D.) Sheriff, James W. Crook, (D.) Clerk, John T. Black, (R.)

Gray's No. 11—C. C. Farris, (R.) F. P. Owens, (D.) Sheriff, W. S. Martin, (R.) Clerk, Bob Gray, (D.)

North Jellico No. 12—Judges, T. G. Collett, (R.) George Alloway, (D.) Sheriff, John B. Jones, (D.) Clerk, Theo Gilbert, (R.)

Poplar Creek No. 16—Judges, William Killion, (R.) E. E. Prichard, (D.) Sheriff, A. J. Furgerson, (D.) Clerk, Silas Myreca, (R.)

Brush Creek No. 17—Judges, G. B. Detherage, (R.) George Jenkins, (D.) Sheriff, Dennis West, (R.) Clerk, Jas. D. Smith (D.)

ANNOUNCEMENT.

TO VOTERS OF THE ELEVENTH DISTRICT. I was nominated by the Democratic Convention at Somerset, August 25th, to be voted for November 8th, for Representative of the Eleventh district in Congress. I elected I will owe the honor to the voters of Republicans and Independents as well as Democrats, and I will, in that event, pledge myself to be the official representative of all the people composing this great district. Geo. E. STONE. Monticello, Wayne county.

NO STEPS

Yet Taken to Have a New Court House and County Jail Erected.

The entire summer has gone by and not a single step has been made by our Fiscal Court to have a new Court-house erected or to arrange to care for our prisoners in a decent and satisfactory manner.

It is no credit to the officials of any county to be content with such old tumble down, dilapidated public buildings as we have in Knox county, and we believe we voice the sentiments of the mass of the people when we say that such a state of affairs should not be longer tolerated. We believe that the property owners of Knox county deserve to have secure vaults in which to keep the records of the county, in order to protect them from the danger of fire. This we have not, and as we have frequently stated before, should a fire occur there is great danger of every record in the county being destroyed. Such a calamity would cost many times more than a new building with all the necessary vaults for the safety and protection of the records.

Our county Judge has no place suitable for an office and no place to keep the books and papers of his office and no place to hold court except in the Circuit Court room.

There is no place about the Court-house for the County Attorney to have an office, although he should have his office in the Court-house.

The Circuit Clerk has no protection for the papers and records of his office, and there is no place for the Grand Jury to meet when impeached unless